

- (c) who shall have continuously for at least five years immediately preceding the date of his application been engaged in practice as a tree expert; or
- (6) who shall have successfully passed such examinations, as may be given by the Commission as hereafter provided.

68. (Examinations). The Commission shall prepare all examinations hereinabove provided for, and shall conduct the same as often as it deems necessary, but at least once each year, if there are any applicants. Every applicant who has never been certified under this sub-title or who has not been the holder of an operative certificate for three years next preceding the date of application, must take and pass the examinations prescribed by the Commission; provided that the Commission may, in its discretion, temporarily waive for a period of not exceeding six months after June 1, 1945, the requirement for an examination of an applicant who on June 1, 1945, is actively engaged in the practice of tree culture and care and has been so engaged for at least five years next preceding said date. A candidate who shall have passed a satisfactory examination in all but one of the subjects given by the Commission may be re-examined in that subject only, at subsequent examinations held by the Commission, and if he passes in that subject he shall be considered to have passed the examinations. Nothing in this sub-title shall be construed as prohibiting the re-examination in all subjects of a candidate who has failed in a prior examination.

69. (Fees; Accounting). Every applicant shall pay to the Commission, at the time of making his application, a fee of ten dollars (\$10.00); in addition, any applicant who fails to pass any examination, shall pay a fee of five dollars (\$5.00) for each re-examination or subsequent examination given to him. Every person to whom a Certified Tree Expert certificate has been issued shall pay an annual renewal fee of five dollars (\$5.00). From the fees collected under this sub-title the Commission shall pay all expenses of issuing certificates and traveling expenses of its members in the performance of their duties under this sub-title, and if any surplus remain on the thirtieth day of June of each year, this shall be paid into the Treasury of the State, for the use of the Department of State Forests and Parks, to the extent that such surplus exceeds one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) which will be retained by the Commission of State Forests and Parks as a working fund; provided, that no expenses incurred under this sub-title shall be charged against the funds of the State of Maryland. The Commission shall annually report to the Governor